

Mwaghavul language

Mwaghavul is an Afro-Asiatic language spoken in Plateau State, Middle Belt Region of Nigeria.^[3]

Dialects include Mupun and Takas.^[4]

Mwaghavul has one of the most elaborate systems of logophoricity known in any language (see logophoricity).

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Phonology

Mwaghavul has 6 vowels: /a, e, i, ɛ, o, u/.^[5]

Mwaghavul	
Native to	Nigeria
Region	Plateau State
Native speakers	150,000 (2016) ^[1]
Language family	Afro-Asiatic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chadic ▪ West Chadic ▪ Bole–Angas ▪ Angas (A.3) ▪ Mwaghavul
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	sur
Glottolog	mwag1236 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/mwag1236) ^[2]

Consonants								
		Bilabial	Labiodental	Alveolar	Postalveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Stop	voiceless	p		t			k	(?)
	voiced	b		d			g	
	implosive	b		d				
Affricate	voiceless				tʃ			
	voiced				dʒ			
Fricative	voiceless		f	s	ʃ		h	
	voiced		v	z	ʒ		(ɣ)	
Nasal	m			n	ŋ		ɳ	
Approximant				l		j	w	
Trill				r				

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External links

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